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In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed December 26, 2002, Applicant confirms the election of the species of Group I (Figs. 19A and 19B), which read on claims 3-21, 27-30, 37-40, and 42.

Applicant's submission of Oct. 4, 2002 inadvertently had two claims numbered 41. Please renumber the second one as claim 42:

[41]42. [Renumbered] The system of claim 40 wherein tray-transfer device operates to invert the devices and place the inverted devices into a different tray than that used at the first inspection station.

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Applicant respectfully requests a favorable examination of the merits of this patent application. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney (612-373-6949) to facilitate prosecution of this application. Please charge any additional fees deemed necessary to Deposit Account 19-0743.

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